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Attorney Docket No.: KLA1P123/P1207

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Title: DARKFIELD INSPECTION SYSTEM
 HAVING A PROGRAMMABLE LIGHT
 SELECTION ARRAY

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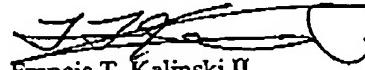
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AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment A is in response to the Office Action mailed February 9, 2005. Claims 1-10 and 53 are hereby cancelled. Claims 54 and 64 are amended. Claims 11-52 and 54-64 are pending in the application. Applicants request entry of the following amendments and respectfully request reconsideration of this application based on the amendments and remarks contained herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.